

## THE WEATHER

Rain Or Snow Tonight and  
Thursday and Friday

## TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

## METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	85 5/8c
Copper	23 1/2c
Lead	6 3/4c
Quicksilver	\$1.08

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TONOPAH, NEVADA, THURSDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 14, 1918

PRICE 10 CENTS

## BILLION DOLLAR DEFICIENCY BILL FULLY APPROVED

## Largest Appropriation in all History, Even After Being Reduced \$500,000,000

GOVERNMENT WILL BUILD A HUGE  
GAS PLANT SOMEWHERE IN FRANCEChange in Military Program is Cause  
of Need for More Money  
To Be Expended

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The house appropriations committee is favorable to the support of the billion dollar urgent deficiency bill. This is the largest in history, although it has been cut half a billion from the original estimates. It provides for the immediate needs of the war, navy and other departments.

The committee revealed that \$81,000,000 is asked for mountain, field and siege artillery in addition to more than a billion already spent and contracted an authorized \$779,000,000 additional.

Colonel Ames of the ordnance department said that additional money was asked as a result in a change with military program, including new requirements of a larger number of shells with gases and a two million dollar plant for the same purpose in France. General Pershing strongly urged a plant in France to enable him to handle toxic materials and properly meet the sudden shift in gas warfare. Colonel Ragsdale said that mustard or blister gas the Germans used would change the whole program of the gas phase of trench warfare.

VIOLATION ALLEGED  
OF ESPIONAGE ACT

(By Associated Press.)  
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Feb. 14.—Charged with rifling the United States mail and with violation of the espionage act, Miss Augusta Minnie Deckman, said to be the fiancée of Ernest A. Leybold, an interned enemy alien, was arrested late yesterday afternoon in the office of the federal censor at the war prison headquarters at Fort Douglas.

Miss Deckman, according to prison camp officials, walked into a trap set for her, the details of which are withheld by the officers who brought about her arrest.

The arrest of Miss Deckman brings to light the fact it was she who wrote the note which the Rev. B. Henry Loemann, Ogden, Utah, pastor, was caught in the act of attempting to smuggle into the civilian section of the compound last Sunday night. The note was addressed to Leybold. It became known, and, according to war prison officials, had reference to money which it is believed was to have been obtained to finance the escape of Leybold and other prisoners now in the camp.

## WILL DISCUSS TREATY.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Feb. 14.—An Amsterdam dispatch says that Von Hertling will discuss the Ukrainian treaty probably in reply to Wilson, Lloyd George and Premier Orlando in a peace debate on the 21st in the Reichstag.

## POTATO PRICE FIXED.

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 14.—The California food administration fixed a price of 2 cents in hundred-pound lots and 2 1/4 cents in less amounts for California river potatoes. The price is subject to revision after ten days.

## AMENDMENT RATIFIED.

(By Associated Press.)  
ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 14.—The senate has passed the resolution ratifying the federal prohibition amendment. The house previously had passed it and it does not have to be signed by the governor.

## TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah.

	1918	1917
5 a. m.	30	22
9 a. m.	30	25
12 noon	40	31
Maximum Feb. 13	39	36
Minimum Feb. 13	26	24
Relative humidity at noon today.	36 per cent.	

Bolo Pasha to  
Go to Guillotine

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, Feb. 14.—Bolo Pasha was today sentenced to death. The court-martial deliberated fifteen minutes. Darius Porcher, an accountant and co-defendant, was sentenced to three years. Philippe Cavalline, a codefendant in the custody of Italy, was sentenced to death, although beyond the court's jurisdiction. The trial was begun February 4.

CHAMBERLAIN CHARGED  
WITH STRIKE FAILURE

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Senator James began his defense of the administration war activities with a suggestion that Chamberlain's New York speech charging that the American military machine was completely broken down might have been the cause of the failure of recent German and Austrian strike disturbances by giving the enemy new hope of victory.

LIVESTOCK SHORTAGE  
MAY MEAN DISASTER

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—President Sykes of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association, told the senate agricultural committee today that he is investigating the nation's food situation, especially of wheat and meat, fears that the food administration will establish prices to jeopardize their interests had induced many cattlemen to slaughter immature stock.

Dwight Hurd, a Phoenix stockman, said that domestic shortage was prevalent and a national disaster was probable unless remedial action was taken.

## S. P. CUTS MELON.

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 14.—A quarterly dividend of \$1.50 a share has been declared by the directors of the Southern Pacific company at a meeting in New York, according to a telegram received here by the local headquarters of the company. The dividend applies to all stockholders of record at the close of business February 28.

MRS. JOE COOK, Mrs. Hornevas, Miss Feeder and Mr. and Mrs. Bernhardt were among today's visitors from Manhattan.

## BIG CUBAN LOAN ASSURED FACT

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Announcement within a short time that the Cuban loan of \$100,000,000 to finance the harvesting of the sugar crop, was "an accomplished fact," was forecast in a statement issued here last night by the international sugar committee. It was intimated that New York bankers and refiners already had subscribed \$80,000,000 and that the balance probably would be forthcoming from Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, New Orleans and other cities.

George M. Rolph, chairman of the committee, stated that most of the annual reports of the sugar companies would be forthcoming at an early date and it would be "interesting to the public to note the profits earned by them during the year 1917, when no food control regulations

were in effect, and compare them with the same annual reports to be issued one year hence, showing the results of the operations of the same companies under the food control plan."

Mr. Rolph declared that in his opinion the profits for the past year, when there was no restriction on prices, were unusually and unnecessarily high; that the margin now fixed would result in a fair earning on the capital of all the companies and no exorbitant profits would be shown except in the case of a few of the best companies which were greatly favored by natural climate and geographical advantages resulting in extremely low cost of production.

In such cases a large part of the earnings will revert back to the government in the form of income and excess profit taxes.

## HEATLESS MONDAY PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Suspension of the heatless Monday program was announced today by Fuel Administrator Garfield with the reservation that it may be put back into force before the ten weeks' period expires if a return of bad weather brings another breakdown in railroad transportation.

At the same time Dr. Garfield gave state fuel administrators full authority to continue the closing order in territory under their jurisdiction if in their opinion circumstances demand it.

The heatless Mondays were decreed by the fuel administration on January 17 and four have been observed in all states east of the Mississippi, except those south of Virginia. The order was enforced in the South on three Mondays, but was lifted there last week.

TROTSKY'S NOTE NOT  
PEACE PROPOSAL

(By Associated Press.)

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 14.—Indications from the German press are that Russian Foreign Minister Trotsky's latest proposal has aroused dissatisfaction and suspicion. It is in nowise regarded as a peace offer. Military and political leaders are conferring daily to solve the puzzle.

A Berlin telegram Wednesday says: "The government is unwilling to continue its relations with Russia unless a regular treaty is signed."

A Vienna telegram says there is much confusion there. The uncertainty over internal conditions in Russia demands cautious attitude by the Germans.

It is claimed circulation of the Russian demobilization order was stopped three hours after it had been issued.

It is also reported the Bolsheviks are energetically forming a Red Guard army in the hope of raising a million men to establish Bolshevik power in border states.

## DELEGATES WILL MEET.

(By Associated Press.)

BAKERSFIELD, Feb. 14.—Delegates of California oil and gas well workers' union of Coalings and other towns will meet tomorrow to consider a working schedule providing for an eight-hour day, rotating shifts, and a minimum wage of four dollars. It is announced by the federal commission.

## CHARGED WITH BLACKMAIL.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 14.—The Fulton county grand jury today indicted J. W. Cook, a realty man, and Mrs. H. H. Hirsch of Atlanta, charging them with an attempt to blackmail Mayor Candler of Atlanta, a millionaire, out of half a million dollars. Each was arrested and held under \$5,000 bond.

Advertise in the Daily Bonanza.

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IS PROBED

(By Associated Press.)

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GOVERNMENT  
UNDERTAKES  
SHIPBUILDING

(By Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, Feb. 14.—Strikes of 400 carpenters and joiners in two plants seriously hampered government shipbuilding. Officials said they knew no reason. The leaders refused to discuss the matter. They said: "They know all about it in Washington."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Testimony at the senate shipping inquiry has shown that the construction yard will cost forty to fifty million dollars, although the original estimate was \$21,000,000. The investigators were directed to recommend any change in management they think necessary, but are ordered to wait for the senate committee's report before acting. It is indicated that the senate may recommend the government to take over the construction yards.

## NEVADAN IN TROUBLE.

(By Associated Press.)

VALLEJO, Feb. 14.—John Beresford, an electrician in the Mare Island navy yard, has been arrested. He is charged with having escaped from the San Luis Obispo jail, where he was held on the charge of forgery.

## APPOINTMENTS MADE.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The president today nominated Gratton Little of Eureka, Cal., land office receiver, and Col. Charles Potter of the army engineers a member of the California debris commission.

## (By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 14.—It is assumed that Colonel Potter will succeed Colonel Park, who has been transferred to the foreign service. The commission supervises the clearing of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers of debris.

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## WINS CUP RACE.

(By Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 14.—F. W. Dinger of Harrisburg, Pa., won the interstate individual amateur wing shot cup race in the third day's event of the fourteenth annual mid-winter shoot here yesterday. He captured the trophy only after a shoot-off of a tie with William Ridley of What Cheer, Ia., and Al Koyen of Fremont, Neb., each of whom hit fifteen targets with him in the original event. Ridley missed the first three chances in the shoot-off, dropping out, and Dinger defeated Koyen 8 to 7.

## ITALIAN SHIPS SUNK.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Feb. 14.—Four Italian steamers of more than 1600 tons were sunk by mine or submarine during the week ending February 9, according to an official announcement.

## DURING THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 9

but one Italian steamer of less than 1600 tons was lost.

## CHARGES DISMISSED.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 14.—The United States commissioner has dismissed the charges of conspiracy to smuggle munitions out of the United States against "General" Nicholas Zogg, Norbert Myles and Charles Draper, because of insufficient evidence.

## SPANISH STEAMER SUNK.

(By Associated Press.)

MADRID, Feb. 14.—The Spanish steamer Ceferino has been sunk by a submarine near Ferro island, one of the Canary group. All the members of the crew were saved. They were towed by the submarine to the port of La Estaca, in the Canaries.

## PROPOSAL TO INCREASE WAGE SCALE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The first official indication of what proposed railroad wage increases would cost was given at yesterday's hearing before the railroad wage commission, when J. A. Franklin presented the claims of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor.

"Figuring an average of 33 1/3 per cent increase, on the flat increases asked, the additional cost would be \$28,000,000 annually," Secretary Lane, chairman of the commission, computed.

Mr. Franklin said the estimate seemed correct, based upon increases for 250,000 organized men. He also had suggested that any increases should apply to unorganized workers of the same trades, numbering about 260,000, who were not figured in the rough calculation. The wage basis asked was \$6 a day for skilled men such as carmen, machinists and blacksmiths, \$4.50 a day for helpers, and time and a half for overtime, Sunday and holiday work.

None of the witnesses has submitted estimates of what the increases requested would cost, all apparently taking the position of A.

B. Garrison, of the conductors, who said that it did not matter what the cost would be since the increases were essential to maintain the standard of living and that if an industry did not maintain the men serving it, the industry did not deserve to survive.

Low wages have been blamed by the witnesses for the exodus of railroad workers to other industries, with the result that many skilled men have been lost. Mr. Franklin said the various shop unions he represented had lost 15 per cent of their membership to shipyards and still others to munitions factories.

Warren S. Stone, of the engineers, told the commission that never before this winter have the railroads entered the bad weather season with equipment in such "rotten" condition and said that lack of skilled men in shops was responsible for curtailment of output there to 60 per cent of normal. He said there would be no shortage of engines if provision was made to care for motive power.

A. E. Harker, speaking for the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, said his men were on the verge of quitting because they saw living costs mounting steadily without advance in wages.

## ARMY BOYS FIND NEW USE FOR CLOTH

(By Associated Press.)

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 14.—American army truck drivers have found a use for the strips of heavy khaki cloth cut from the bottoms of soldiers' overcoats. One of the drivers discovered that mittens of extraordinary warmth could be made from the cloth and now nearly every driver of a motor truck or automobile is wearing a pair or has determined to make himself some the first time he has a spare ten minutes.

Many units of the army in France discovered that the regulation overcoats were too long when first they donned them. The bottoms, becoming soaked with rain or caked with mud, flopped about the legs of the men and made the garment a burden. Some soldiers discarded overcoats whenever it was possible for them to and many colds or other ailments resulted.

Then one entire division—a newly landed organization of former national guardsmen—suddenly appeared with coats that reached to the knee or an inch above it. The old long coats were exchanged by their owners for the new ones in response to an order signed by the general commanding. About the same time soldiers in other divisions cut their coats off themselves or had them

## WILL RETAIN OFFICE.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The Chronicle declares that Major General Robertson will remain chief of the imperial staff with full approval of the war cabinet. Major General Wilson will continue to be the principal British representative at Versailles, it is said, if as reported the exchange of office of Robertson and Wilson, which was contemplated, is now abandoned.

## ATROCITY ON ISLANDS.

(By Associated Press.)

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 14.—In consequence of the reported shocking acts of terrorism of Russian soldiers on the Aland Islands and the flight of Swedish residents to outlying islands, a Swedish icebreaker will start to the islands immediately and a rescue party will follow.

## FRENCH GAIN FOOTING.

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—The French obtained a footing in the German salient in an attack yesterday at Champaigne, near Tathure.

## LINE IS EXTENDED.

(By Associated Press.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—A London dispatch says the British line in Italy has been extended east of Montello ridge along the Piave.

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